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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: GOM SUPPORT FOR GKR AND GVN IN INTERNATIONAL
BODIES

REF: A) STATE 129536; B) KL 2786

1. WE HAVE ASKED THE MALAYSIAN GOVT ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS
IN RECENT MONTHS (/)3* ?) TO OPPOSE THE SEATING OF THE
PRG AND GRUNK IN INTERNATIONAL BODIES. REF A INSTRUCTS
US TO INQUIRE ON ASEAN PLANS FOR SUPPORT OF KHMER
CREDENTIALS IN 29TH UNGA.

2. GKR AND GVN ARE BOTH WELL REPRESENTED IN KUALA LUMPUR.
KHMER AMBASSADOR NONG KIMNY HAS BEEN A CHIEF OF MISSION
FOR OVER TWO DECADES AND HAS SERVED HIS COUNTRY WITH
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DISTINCTION IN WASHINGTON, THE UNITED NATIONS AND INDIA.

HE HAS BEEN HERE SINCE AUGUST 1972 AND IS ON EXCELLENT TERMS WITH THE SENIOR LEVELS OF THE MALAYSIAN GOVT.

3. IN OUR VIEW, WE UNDERMINE THE INDEPENDENT STATURE OF THE COUNTRIES THEY REPRESENT AND DEROGATE ENVOYS PERSONAL POSITION WITH THE GOM, WHEN WE TAKE THE LEAD IN DEFENDING THEIR COUNTRIES' INTERESTS AND APPEAR MORE CONCERNED THAN THEY ARE ABOUT THEIR STATUS IN INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS. IN THIS INSTANCE, IT SEEMS PARTICULARLY IMPORTANT THAT GKR ON ITS OWN SEEK ASEAN AND ASIAN BACKING IN ITS CREDENTIALS FIGHT IN THE 29TH UNGA, AND THAT THERE BE NO PARALLEL OR FOLLOW-UP U.S. APPROACH, HOWEVER LOW KEY, UNLESS THERE IS CLEAR INDICATION OF FALTERING ASIAN SUPPORT.

4. RECOMMEND THAT KHMER AMBASSADOR BE INSTRUCTED BY HIS GOVERNMENT TO MAKE APPROACH, AND TO CONSULT WITH US IF REPLY FROM GOM IS UNSATISFACTORY.
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